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WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

A method of calibrating video, comprising: calibrating at least one of pixel offset and pixel gain of a video signal via digital hardware.

- 2. The method according to claim 1, further including calibrating for pixel offset by setting a range for pixel offset calibration, adjusting an uncalibrated video signal to be within the range, and providing an offset level setpoint.
- The method according to claim 2, further including calibrating for 3. pixel offset by subtracting a current state of offset of a video signal from the offset level setpoint to provide an error value.
- The method according to claim 3, further including calibrating for 4. pixel offset by applying a variable gain factor to the error value to provide a variable gain/error value.
- The method according to claim 4, wherein the variable gain factor is 5. fixed for different trip points.
- The method according to claim 4, further including calibrating for 6. pixel offset by adding the variable gain error value to a pixel offset value stored in a storage device to provide a specified pixe offset value.
- 7. The method according to claim 6, further including calibrating for pixel offset by dividing the specified pixel offset value by 16.
- The method according to claim χ further including calibrating for 8. pixel offset by adding the divided value to the video signal adjusted to be within the range.
- The method according to claim 1, further including calibrating for 9. pixel gain by setting a range for pixel gain calibration, adjusting an uncalibrated video signal to be within the range, and providing for continuing compensation of changes in video intensity.
- The method according to claim 9, further including calibrating for 10. pixel gain by covering a video channel with an automatic gain control tab.
- The method according to claim 10, further including calibrating for 11. pixel gain by subtracting a current state of gain of a video signal from an automatic gain control tab setpoint to provide an error value.

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- 12. The method according to claim 11, further including calibrating for pixel gain by inputting the error value into an integrator to apply the error value to a video signal over a period of time.
- 13. The method according to claim 12, further including calibrating for pixel gain by multiplying a video signal output from the integrator with a video signal inputted to the video channel covered with the automatic gain control tab.
- 14. The method according to claim 13, further including calibrating for pixel gain by multiplying the video signal output from the integrator with a video signal inputted to a video channel other than the video channel covered with the automatic gain control tab.
- 15. The method according to claim 14, further including calibrating for pixel gain by subtracting a current state of gain of a video signal from a white level setpoint to provide an error value.
- 16. The method according to claim 15, further including calibrating for pixel gain by applying a variable gain factor to the error value to provide a variable gain/error value.
- 17. The method according to claim 16, wherein the variable gain factor is fixed for different trip points.
- 18. The method according to claim 16, further including calibrating for pixel gain by adding the variable gain/error value to a pixel gain value stored in a storage device, to provide a specified pixel gain value.
- 19. The method according to claim 18, further including calibrating for pixel gain by dividing the specified pixel gain value by 16.
- 20. The method according to claim 19, further including calibrating for pixel gain by multiplying the divided value to the video signal adjusted to be within the range.
- 21. An image sensor for use with a document scanner, comprising:
 digital hardware that calibrates at least one of pixel offset and pixel
 gain of a video signal.
- 22. The image sensor according to claim 21, further including a device that calibrates for pixel offset by setting a range for pixel offset calibration, adjusting an uncalibrated video signal to be within the range, and providing an offset level setpoint.

23. The sensor according to claim 21, further including a device that calibrates for pixel gain by setting a range for pixel gain calibration, adjusting an uncalibrated video signal to be within the range, and providing for continuing compensation of changes in video intensity.